

# UTAH FOREST LEGACY PROGRAM FY 2011 APPLICATION FORMAT



Your application should be in outline form, cover all topics listed below and be presented exactly in the order that appears below. **Applications not submitted in this format will not be evaluated.** This ensures that all projects are evaluated in a fair and equitable manner by the State, Regional and National review panels. An electronic copy of this application can be downloaded from our website at http://www.ffsl.utah.gov/forestryassist/legacy/legacy.php.

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C. PROPERTY INFORMATION			
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Forest Legacy Area: (see map)

Bear River Basin 

Cedar – Beaver Basin 

Jordan River Basin 

Lower Colorado Basin 

Southeast Colorado Basin 

Unita Basin 

Weber River Basin 

Western Colorado Basin 

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Estimated Current Land Value Per Acre: \$
Estimated Conservation Easement Value Per Acre (Total Project Cost): \$
Forest Legacy Program Funding Request: \$
Non-Federal Cost-Share (minimum 25% match required): \$

#### D. IMPORTANCE

Describe the environmental, social, and economic public benefits gained from the protection and management of the property. More points will be given to projects that demonstrate multiple public benefits at the national or multi-state scale. This criterion reflects the ecological assets and the economic and social values conserved by the project and the scale of people's interest in its protection. It is meant to assess the attributes to be conserved and who is receiving those benefits.

#### 1. Scenic:

Describe the site's scenic attributes and if it is located within a viewshed of a formally designated scenic feature or area (such as trail, river, or highway).

#### 2. Historic/Cultural:

Describe formally documented cultural or historical features that are located on site.

## 3. Forestry:

Describe how the Landowner has demonstrated the use of sound forest management principles and/or contributes to the resource-based economy for a community or region.

## 4. Threatened or Endangered Species Habitat:

Does the site have known individuals and/or habitat for designated rare, threatened or endangered plants and animals?

## 5. Fish, Wildlife, Plants, and Unique Forest Communities:

Describe the site's unique forest communities and/or important fish or wildlife habitat as specified by a wildlife conservation plan or strategy.

# 6. Water Supply Protection:

Describe any contiguous riparian areas, forested wetlands, shorelines, river systems, sensitive watershed lands, buffer to public drinking water supply or an aquifer recharge area.

## 7. Public Access/Recreation:

Does the property have full or limited access, [may include specific use restrictions]?

#### E. THREATENED

Describe the possible current and future threat of conversion to non-forest uses and how it will result in a loss of forest values and public benefits.

## 1. Legal:

Describe the degree of legal protections, or lack of, that currently exists on the property (e.g. current zoning or existing easements) and if these protections remove the threat of conversion.

#### 2. Landowners Circumstances:

Is the property owner a good land steward interested in conserving land, is the property held in an estate, is landowner aging and the future use of the property by heirs uncertain, is the property is up for sale or is sale pending, has the landowner received purchase offers, etc?

# 3. Adjacent land use changes:

What is the rate of development growth and conversion, the rate of population growth, the rate of change in ownership, etc?

## F. STRATEGIC

How does the project fit within a larger conservation plan, strategy, or initiative and enhances previous conservation investments. Describe how the project would:

# 1. Support Federal/State conservation efforts/plans.

(i.e. USFS Forest Plans, buffers state/federal lands)

## 2. Complement state and/or federal land investments in the area

(land base, land management, land purchase, conservation programs)

## 3. Be part of an organized land conservation effort.

(state, regional, local, land trust, initiatives)

#### G. LEVEL OF READINESS

#### 1. Landowner commitment:

Is the landowner a willing seller? What is the status of negotiations, agreements; written, verbal and/or purchase options?

# 2. Status of transaction/due diligence:

What is the status of the appraisal, conservation easement, purchase and sale agreement, environmental assessment, baseline documentation, Landowner Forest Stewardship Plan?

- 3. Describe sources and amounts of non-federal match.
- 4. Describe sources of other federal or private funds and amounts.

#### H. SUPPORTING PARTIES

How is the project supported by organizations, partners and/or stakeholders? List partners; include letters of support; describe big picture; how organized landscape conservation effort is supported.

#### I. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

# 1. Legal description of the property:

A legal description is defined as "a written statement recognized by law as to the definite location of a tract of land by reference to a survey, recorded map or adjoining property." A legal description can be obtained through the county recorder's office.

# 2. Letters of support:

Letter can come from County Commissions, Municipal councils, State Legislators, State and Federal agencies, non-profits, etc.

## 3. Map(s) of parcel(s):

Maps can be in any format (topographic/USGS/GIS) so long as they delineate the property boundary.

#### 4. Photos:

Any photos of the property are acceptable (i.e. aerial or project area photos).